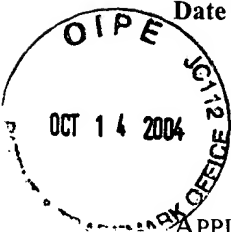


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APPLICANTS: James Tobin
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the April 14, 2004 final Office Action in the above-identified application.

With the extension, the response is due on or before October 14, 2004. A check in the amount of \$980.00 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 22058-516 DIV CON. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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